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1. The building of 10 river passenger boats at the Mathias Thesen yard in Wismar has been provided for. The first of these boats is to be launched in August 1953, but the date will depend on the cable crane installation's being ready in time.
2. The cable crane installation will have a mast height of 61.8 meters. During the past week there was a fire in a scaffold at the 60-meter level which did considerable damage. Sabotage is suspected.
3. A Seepolizei base is being established at Wismar for the better control of the Wismar and Luebeck bays. Six Seepolizei boats entered Wismar on 5 May 1953 and left on 7 May, on which date six other boats arrived. The Seepolizei flotillas alternate regularly with one another.

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